

and adding coal heating units. At that time, the Church owned a coal mine which provided coal free to the Wards.

An annex was added to the Amusement Hall, with kitchen facilities, which greatly added to the programs of the Church.

Bishop Don Hicken, the first Bishop called after the division of the Heber Second Ward, and creation of the Heber Fifth Ward, provided the following information:

Not only did attendance at all meetings increase, but tithes and offerings, also. Special attention was given to the youth, and their leaders which activated them, and the results were that more than 90% filled honorable missions and are now leaders in their respective wards. All the auxiliaries became involved with money-making projects to support the effort of supplying funds for the new Two-Ward-Stake Center. The same dedication was contributed to our Ward Farm where more than 85% of our priesthood holders shared in the work, while the sisters served them food and drink, along with giving them encouragement.

Two former bishops of the two wards (currently members residing within the Heber Second Ward), Bishop Walter Seiter (Heber Second Ward) and Bishop J. Barton Moulton (Heber Fifth Ward), contribute the following noteworthy information:

Building the Heber Second-Fifth Wards and Wasatch Stake Center

We belong to a dynamic church. The basic principles never change, but the programs are constantly modified to meet the changing needs of the members. So it was that by 1954, when the Heber Second Ward became the Heber Second and Heber Fifth Wards, it was already apparent that the fine, old building that had served so beautifully for so long was no longer adequate. The expanding M.I.A. and Relief Society programs needed a recreational area and better kitchen facilities. The burgeoning wards and the stake needed more chapel space and better heating.

Under Bishops Don L. Hicken (Heber Second Ward) and Vernon W. Price (Heber Fifth Ward), the two Wards involved began to dream of a new meetinghouse and to work toward the realization of that dream.

Almost ten years later when the wards were reorganized, the two bishops had solidified the financial affairs of their respective wards and each ward had accumulated a sizeable sum of money earmarked for the new building. The new Bishops, Walter H. Seiter

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(Heber Second Ward) and John Barton Moulton (Heber Fifth Ward), were charged with the responsibility of materializing the dream under the leadership of the Stake President J. Harold Call, for the building was to be a two-ward and stake center.

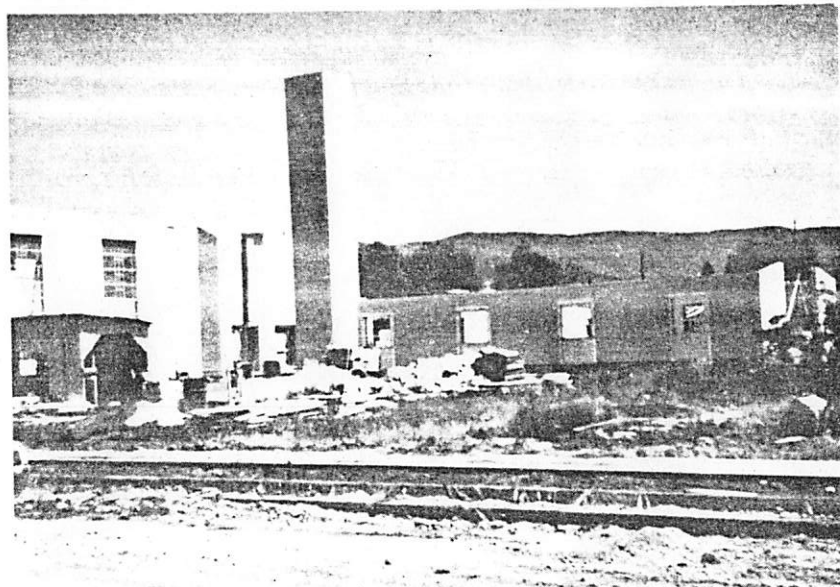
Each Tuesday morning for many months, the three men met together in an atmosphere of prayer and cooperation to solve problems, project the work for the week, discuss ways to meet the special building needs of the people they served. Often the two bishops would travel together to spend the rest of the day meeting with members of the Church Building Committee, to present their desires, to persuade and to induce, so they could get the finest possible building. Since this was the first fully contracted building after the building missionary program, they had much persuading and inducing to do.

During the planning stage, the two bishops and stake presidency often traveled together to visit similar buildings, throughout the area, to obtain ideas and suggestions.

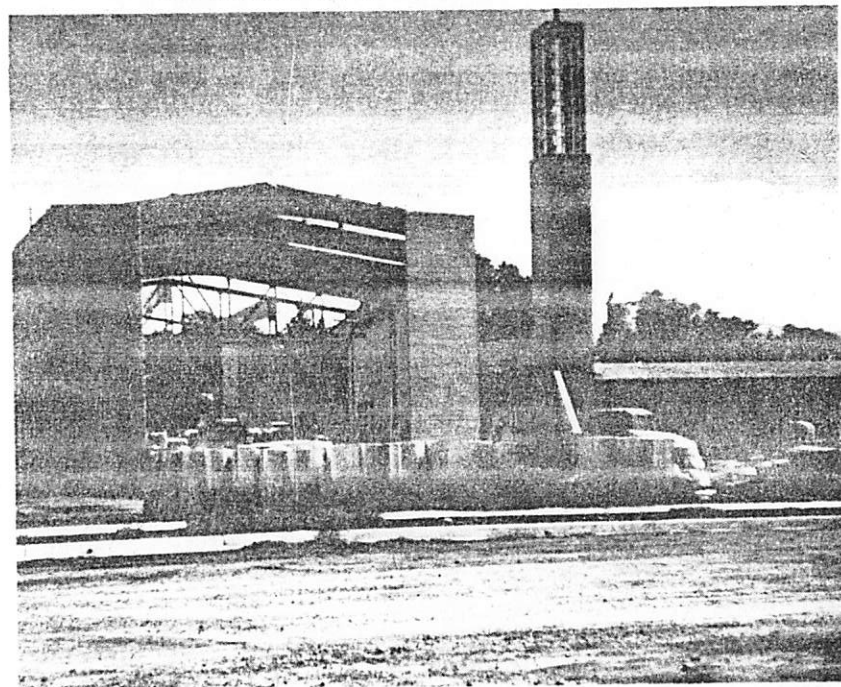
Two weeks before the ground-breaking for the new building was scheduled, the site was under three feet of snow. Many predicted it could not happen, but the bishops stood firm, having faith it could and would happen. Ground-breaking day (March 15, 1966) was a beautiful day. Only a thin layer of slush had to be scraped away so that the ceremony could be held. From then until January 22, 1967, when the dedication ceremony was held, the work went on a pace with only a half-day interruption during a rainstorm in July.



Ground-breaking for the Second-Fifth Wards Stake Center, March 1966.



New stake center, view from west side, July 1966.



Stake Center construction, September 1, 1966.

Groundbreaking Ceremony

TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 1966 - 12:00 NOON

President J Harold Call Presiding

Opening Song "Put Your Shoulder to the Wheel"

Opening Prayer Bishop John B. Moulton, Heber Fifth Ward

Introduction of Church and City Officials, County
Commissioners, Architect, Contractors President Ralph Carlile

Remarks President J Harold Call, Wasatch Stake

Remarks Brother Dale Bradford, Church Building Committee
In Charge of Our Project

Dedicatory Prayer President Wayne C. Whiting

Ground Breaking —

Song "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Closing Prayer Bishop Walter H. Seiter, Heber Second Ward

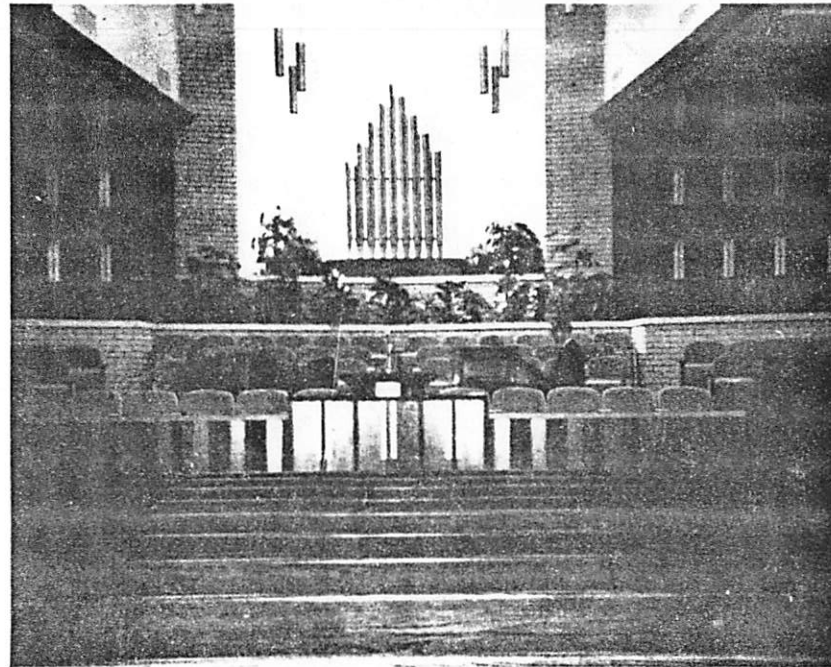
Conducting Songs — Brother Larry Call

"PUT YOUR SHOULDER TO THE WHEEL"

1. The world has need of willing men, who wear the workers seal
Come help the good work move along, put your shoulder to the wheel.
Chorus:
Put your shoulder to the wheel; push along
Do your duty with a heart full of song.
We all have work; let no one shirk; Put your shoulder to the wheel.
2. The Church has need of helping hands, And hearts that know and feel.
The work to do is here for you; Put your shoulder to the wheel.
3. Then don't stand idly looking on, The fight with sin is real.
It will be long, but must go on; Put your shoulder to the wheel.
4. Then work and watch and fight and pray, With all thy might and zeal
Push every worthy work along; Put your shoulder to the wheel.

"PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW"

1. Praise God from whom all blessing flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, yet heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.



Chapel in Second-Fifth Ward Stake Center, February 1967.

Among the members of the two wards, there existed a friendly rivalry to see which one could contribute the most time, money, labor, and talent to the new building. Since the building was contracted, contributions of labor were, of necessity, limited, but members mixed mud and toled it to the bricklayers and did other such labor, but it was Bishop Moulton who persuaded one of his non-member families to take advantage of an opportunity to contribute the beautiful mirror that reflects the baptismal font.

As with all large undertakings of this nature, there were a few spicy undercurrents of opposition, but the two bishops and the stake president worked shoulder to shoulder, and the building was erected and furnished in record time. During this time, they experienced the blessings and approbation of the Lord for them and for their ward members.

They were nearing the completion of the building, and they needed more funds to meet the projected dedication date. One Heber Second Ward member committed himself to a large monthly payment. He said, "I don't know where the money is coming from, but I'll get it to you." A day or two later, he told the bishop, "I wish I'd pledged more! I got a raise exactly the amount I pledged!"

A Heber Fifth Ward member, a here-to-fore inactive man said, "Here's a signed check. When you've done all you can, fill in the amount you need!"

The building stands now as a monument to the faith and dedication of the fine people in the stake and the wards involved."

FACTS ABOUT THE BUILDING

The groundbreaking ceremony for this building, which was designed by architect Alv G. Youngberg, Bountiful, Utah, was held Tuesday, March 15, 1966 at twelve o'clock noon under the direction of President J Harold Call. The same day the Turner Construction Company, building contractors, began the construction. Two weeks before this ceremony three feet of snow had fallen in the valley.

The cost of the contract was \$339,886.00; the cost of the building and furnishings was \$383,700.00.

The building was completed in ten months and one week. The supervisors of the building were Alfred Chapman and Aubra Hotchkinson.

Construction moved rapidly: Weather conditions were so favorable that work was halted only a half-day because of storms.

Since our building was contracted, only a limited amount of donated labor could be furnished; but the two wards donated \$6,127.00 in labor.

The entire stake and ward obligation was \$151,390.40. Of this amount the Heber Second and Fifth Wards jointly contributed \$100,874.24.

Facilities include 367 capacity chapel, 140 capacity overflow lounge. With the 60 x 93 Cultural Hall, the seating capacity is 1,800. Overflow crowds can also hear in the Relief Society Room, the multipurpose room, the Aaronic Priesthood room and the Junior Sunday School room. We also have 24 x 40 Junior Chapel, 25 x 42 multipurpose room, 26 classrooms, kitchen, library, baptismal font, offices for stake president, two bishops and clerks, high council room and scenery storage room space above the stage. The building covers 24,587 square feet; there will be 20,000 square feet of shrubbery and lawns; and the parking lot accommodates 176 cars.

Facts about the building of the Heber Second and Fifth Ward Stake Center.

Dedicatory Services

JANUARY 22, 1967

2:00 P. M.

OPENING SONG Congregation

PRELUDE ReNee Carlile
 "The Spirit of God Like a Fire Is Burning"

INVOCATION Pres. Wayne C. Whiting

HYMN Combined Choir
 "Now Let Us Rejoice" Heber Third Ward
 Director - Lucille Giles Heber Fourth Ward
 Accompanist - Ruth Swain Daniel Ward - Center Ward

REMARKS J. W. Turner
 Alv G. Youngberg, Architect
 Bishop Walter H. Seiter
 Bishop John B. Moulton

"BLESS THIS HOUSE" Rulon Huntington
 Accompanist - ReNee Carlile

SPEAKER Member of Stake Presidency

SPEAKER Elder Bernard P. Brockbank

DEDICATORY PRAYER Elder Brockbank

"BEFORE THEE, LORD" Combined Choir
 Director - Vay Hicken
 Accompanist - Irene Thacker

BENEDICTION Maron R. Hiatt
 Senior High Councilman
 Member of Building Committee

POSTLUDE ReNee Carlile



Heber Second and Fifth Wards and Wasatch Stake Center, located at 150 North Second West.